ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE PUBLICATIONS
CLEARINGHOUSE

## **MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee was held on October 9, 2007 in the State Library. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. The following people were present: Debbie Angelo, Susan Dunn, Tom Evans, Greg Facincani, Colleen McConaghy, Deborah Mongeau, and Julia Tryon.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Linda Caisse has resigned from her position on the Advisory Committee. Tom Evans will select a new person for the remainder of the term.

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the July 10, 2007 meeting were accepted as submitted.

## **UPDATE ON CLEARINGHOUSE ACTIVITIES**

• Tom reported that the State Building Code Commission has approved changes to the state building codes, effective August 1, 2007. The following codes are now in effect:

International Building Code, 2006 edition
International Residential Code, 2006 edition
International Plumbing Code, 2006 edition
International Mechanical Code, 2006 edition
National Electrical Code, 2005 edition
International Energy Conservation Code, 2006 edition

Please note that many of the Rhode Island regulations incorporate international or national codes by reference. This means you must refer to BOTH the international or national code (plus supplements, if any) AND the corresponding Rhode Island code amendments. The RI code amendments, commonly referred to as Blue Pages, should be printed out and kept with the international building codes. To access the blue pages, go to

http://www.sec.state.ri.us/library/frequently/bookmarks/buildingcodes/document\_view

The Landlord-Tenant Handbook has been updated for 2007 and resides on the RI Housing Resources Commission website. It is available in English; Betty asked if it was translated into Spanish or other languages. The new update contains information about lead

paint. It can be accessed at http://www.hrc.ri.gov/documents/2007%20Revision%20of%20L\_T\_Ha ndbook2.pdf

- Greg has been capturing and storing state electronic documents on the Secretary of State's web server. When online access to a state publication changes or is eliminated, there will be archival access through the State Library webpage and catalog. It is a work in progress and will be available in the near future.
- The General Assembly may meet in special session before January to override some of the Governor's vetoes and to change the RI primary election date.
- The RI Library Commission met recently and Tom was appointed to chair a subcommittee on digitization and preservation. Legislation for a bond issue may be drafted to file in the next legislative session for the one-state/one catalog and for statewide databases. Commission members are looking at other states to see how the funding process was handled so that RI can model a similar approach.
- Debbie asked about the ten copies of the RI Owners Manual that were distributed by the Clearinghouse; copies were only sent to RI public libraries, not the academic institutions. One copy was sent to each depository library as a state document.
- Susan asked about a document that the Warwick Public Library received in the mail from the Statewide Planning Program (Statewide

Planning Technical Paper #159) Destination RI: Domestic & International Migration in the Ocean State. Some libraries received it in a direct mailing; Greg is trying to obtain additional copies to send to depository libraries. If full depository libraries did not receive a copy of this publication, please contact Greg.

- Greg is trying to get a page loaded on the Secretary of State's website that will allow Documents Officers from each state agency to register online.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

• The meeting dates for the year 2008 were established. The dates are as follows:

January 14, 2008 April 14, 2008 July 15, 2008 October 14, 2008

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

# Susan Dunn Secretary